

The Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity  
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# CHRIST CHURCH DUBLIN



## THE CATHEDRAL EUCHARIST

SUNDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2024  
THE SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

11.00

PREACHER: CANON ROLAND HEANEY

SETTING: GIOVANNI P DA PALESTRINA (1525-1594) MISSA BREVIS

SUNG BY THE CATHEDRAL CHOIR

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## **Introit**

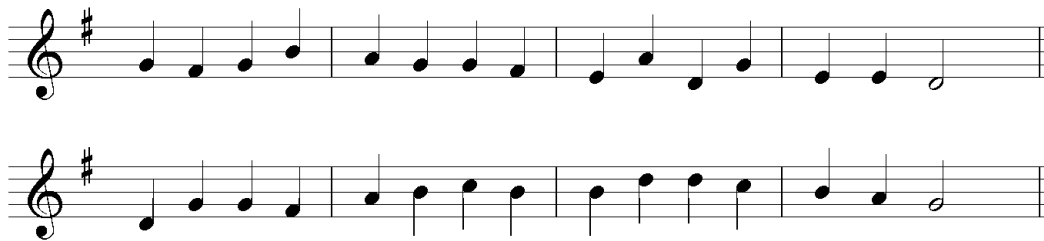
O nata lux de lumine,  
*O Light of light, by love inclined,*  
Jesu redemptor saeculi,  
*Jesu, redeemer of mankind,*  
Dignare clemens supplicum  
*With loving-kindness deign to hear,*  
Laudes precesque sumere.  
*From suppliant voices praise and prayer.*  
Qui carne quondam contegi  
*Thou who in fleshly form didst dwell*  
Dignatus es pro perditis.  
*And deign to raise our souls from hell,*  
Nos membra confer effici,  
*Vouchsafe us when our race is run,*  
Tui beati corporis.  
*In thy fair Body to be one.*

Thomas Tallis (c. 1505–1585)

14th century Latin hymn

*Please stand for the procession of the choir and clergy*

## The Gathering of God's People Processional Hymn



Bright the vision that delighted  
Once the sight of Judah's seer;  
Sweet the countless tongues united  
To entrance the prophet's ear.

Round the Lord in glory seated  
Cherubim and seraphim  
Filled his temple, and repeated  
Each to each th' alternate hymn:

'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven,  
Earth is with thy fullness stored;  
Unto thee be glory given,  
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord'.

Heaven is still with glory ringing,  
Earth takes up the angels' cry,  
'Holy, Holy, Holy,' singing.  
'Lord of hosts, the Lord most high.'

With his seraph-train before him,  
With his holy Church below,  
Thus conspire we to adore him,  
Bid we thus our anthem flow:

'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven,  
Earth is with thy fullness stored;  
Unto thee be glory given,  
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord'.

Tune: Redhead Richard Redhead (1820–1901)

Richard Mant (1776–1848)

### The Greeting

In the name of the † Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ  
be with you all, **and also with you.**

### The Call to Penitence

Christ calls us to share the heavenly banquet of his love with all the saints  
in earth and heaven. Knowing our unworthiness and sin,  
let us ask from him both mercy and forgiveness.

## **Kyrie** *(sung by the choir)*

Kyrie eleison; Christe eleison; Kyrie eleison.

*Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.*

### *The priest pronounces the Absolution:*

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you,  
† pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in  
all goodness, and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

## **Gloria** *(sung by the choir)*

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.

*Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men.*

Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te.

*We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee*

Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam.

*We give thanks to thee for thy great glory,*

Domine Deus, Rex coelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.

*O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.*

Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe.

*O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ;*

Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.

*O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,*

Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

*Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us*

Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram.

*Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.*

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.

*Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.*

Quoniam tu solus sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus altissimus,

*For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ,*

Jesu Christe, cum sancto Spiritu in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*With the Holy Spirit art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

## **The Collect of the Day**

Almighty Father,

whose Son was revealed in majesty

before he suffered death upon the cross:

Give us grace to perceive his glory,

that we may be strengthened to suffer with him

and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;

who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

*Please sit*

## Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

### The First Reading

2 Kings 2: 1-12

A reading from the book of Kings.

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he said, 'Yes, I know; keep silent.'

Elijah said to him, 'Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he answered, 'Yes, I know; be silent.'

Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm** (*sung by the choir*)

**Psalm 50: 1-6**

The Lord, even the most mighty God, hath spoken :  
and called the world,  
from the rising up of the sun unto the going down thereof.  
Out of Sion hath God appeared :  
in perfect beauty.  
Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence :  
there shall go before him a consuming fire,  
and a mighty tempest shall be stirred up round about him.  
He shall call the heaven from above :  
and the earth, that he may judge his people.  
Gather my saints together unto me :  
those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice.  
And the heavens shall declare his righteousness :  
for God is Judge himself.

### **The Second Reading**

**2 Corinthians 4: 3-6**

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **The Gospel Acclamation**

*Please stand for the Gospel Procession as the Acclamation is sung by the choir*

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John.

*Response*



Glo - ry to you Lord Je - sus Christ.

*All turn to face the reader*

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

*Response*



Praise\_\_ to you Lord Je - sus Christ.

**The Sermon**

**The Nicene Creed**

*please stand*

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is,  
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified;  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **The Prayers of the People**

*All sit or kneel*

Lord, in your mercy,  
hear our prayer.

Merciful Father, accept these our prayers  
for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

*please stand*

## **The Peace**

*The priest introduces the peace with these words*



To crown all things there must be love,  
to bind all together and complete the whole.  
Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

*Colossians 3: 14,15*

*The priest says*

The peace of the Lord be always with you;

**And also with you.**

*Those present may offer one another a sign of peace.*

## **Celebrating at the Lord's Table**

*A collection is taken at this point. Card donations are accepted at the  
Welcome Desk following the service.*

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please scan the following QR code:*



**Offertory Hymn**



Sweet Sacrament divine,  
Hid in thine earthly home;  
Lo, round thy lowly shrine,  
With suppliant hearts we come;  
Jesu, to thee our voice we raise  
In songs of love and heartfelt praise:  
Sweet Sacrament divine.

Sweet Sacrament of rest,  
Ark from the ocean's roar,  
Within thy shelter blest  
Soon may we reach the shore;  
Save us, for still the tempest raves,  
Save, lest we sink beneath the waves:  
Sweet Sacrament of rest.

Sweet Sacrament of peace,  
Dear home of every heart,  
Where restless yearnings cease,  
And sorrows all depart.  
There in thine ear all trustfully,  
We tell our tale of misery,  
Sweet Sacrament of peace.

Sweet Sacrament divine,  
Earth's light and jubilee,  
In thy far depths doth shine  
The Godhead's majesty;  
Sweet light, so shine on us, we pray  
That earthly joys may fade away:  
Sweet Sacrament divine.

Tune: Divine Mysteries  
Francis Stanfield (1835-1914)

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### **The Preparation of the Altar**

Blessed be God,  
by whose grace creation is renewed,  
by whose love heaven is opened,  
by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

### **The Taking of the Bread and Wine**

*The priest says*

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us:  
**therefore let us celebrate the feast.**

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**and also with you**

Lift up your hearts.

**we lift them to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**it is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For you have created the heavens and the earth,  
and formed us in your own image.

In the fullness of time you sent forth your Son, your eternal Word,  
who laid down his life for our salvation  
and rose from the grave, the first-fruits of your new creation.

You send forth your holy and life-giving Spirit  
to give life to our mortal bodies  
and to renew the face of the earth.

Therefore with all the heavenly hosts,  
we give voice to everything that you have made,  
and sing the eternal hymn of praise.

*The choir sings*

**Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth.**

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,*

**Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.**

*heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!*

**Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.**

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!*

Blessed are you, Father,  
the creator and sustainer of all things;  
you made us in your own image,  
male and female you created us;  
even when we turned away from you,  
you never ceased to care for us,  
but in your love and mercy you freed us from the slavery of sin,  
giving your only begotten Son to become man  
and suffer death on the cross to redeem us:  
he made there the one complete and all-sufficient sacrifice  
for the sins of the whole world:

*All remain standing*

he instituted,  
and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue,

a perpetual memory of his precious death  
until he comes again.

On the night that he was betrayed he took bread;  
and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it,  
and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat,  
this is my body which is given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup;  
and when he had given thanks to you,  
he gave it to them, saying, Drink this, all of you,  
for this is my blood of the new covenant  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

*The choir sings and all repeat each line*

Christ has died

Christ is risen

Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts,  
grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit  
that we may be made one in your holy Church  
and partakers of the body and blood of your Son,  
that he may dwell in us and we in him:

Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
**all honour and glory are yours,**

**Almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

As our Saviour taught us we are bold to say  
Our Father, **who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**  
**Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive  
those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us  
from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and  
ever. Amen.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The priest breaks the consecrated bread for communion and says*

The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.  
**We being many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

### **The Communion**

Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God, who has taken away the sins of the world.  
Happy are those who are called to his supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

*Please sit while the choir sings*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.  
*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.*  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.  
*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.*  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.  
*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.*

*Guided by the vergers, the people come forward to receive communion. Wherever you are from and  
whatever you believe you are welcome to receive at the table of the Lord. If you require a gluten free  
wafer please indicate this to the priest.*

## Communion Motet

See, see, the Word is incarnate;  
God is made man in the womb of a virgin,  
Shepherds rejoice, wise men adore and angels sing:  
Glory be to God on high, peace on earth, goodwill towards men.

The Law is cancelled, Jews and Gentiles all converted  
by the preaching of glad tidings of salvation.  
the blind have sight and cripples have their motion;  
diseases cured, the dead are raised and miracles are wrought.  
Let us welcome such a guest with Hosanna.

The Paschal Lamb is offered,  
Christ Jesus made a sacrifice for sin.  
The earth quakes, the sun is darkened,  
the powr's of hell are shaken:  
and lo, He is risen up in victory.  
Sing Alleluia, Sing Alleluia.

See, O see the fresh wounds, the goring blood,  
the pricks of thorns, the print of nails;  
and in the sight of multitudes a glorious ascension,  
Where now He sits on God's right hand  
where all the choir of heav'n all jointly sing:  
Glory be to the Lamb that sitteth on the throne.

Let us continue our wonted note with Hosanna:  
Blessed be He that cometh in the Name of the Lord;  
with Alleluia:  
we triumph in victory:  
the serpent's head bruised, Christ's Kingdom exalted,  
and heav'n laid open to sinners. Amen.

Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

Godfrey Goodman (1582-1656)

## **The Great Silence**

*The silence is broken by the post-communion prayer.*

# **Going Out as God's People**

## **Prayer after Communion**

God our creator,  
by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart  
of the earthly paradise,  
and the Bread of life at the heart of your Church.  
May we who have been nourished at your table on earth  
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's Cross  
and enjoy the delights of eternity;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,  
that when we were still far off  
you met us in your Son and brought us home.  
Dying and living, he declared your love,  
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

*All say:*

**May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup bring life to others;  
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
so we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen**

## Postcommunion Hymn



Thou whose almighty word  
Chaos and darkness heard,  
And took their flight;  
Hear us, we humbly pray,  
And where the gospel-day  
Sheds not its glorious ray,  
Let there be light.

Thou, who didst come to bring,  
On thy redeeming wing  
Healing and sight,  
Health to the sick in mind,  
Sight to the inly blind,  
O now to all mankind  
Let there be light.

Spirit of truth and love,  
Life-giving, holy Dove,  
Speed forth thy flight;  
Move o'er the waters' face,  
Bearing the lamp of grace,  
And in earth's darkest place  
Let there be light.

Blessed and holy Three,  
Glorious Trinity,  
Wisdom, Love, Might;  
Boundless as ocean's tide  
Rolling in fullest pride,  
Through the world, far and wide  
Let there be light.

Tune: Moscow

Adapted from Felice de Giardini (1716-96)

John Marriott (1780-1825)

# The Blessing & Dismissal

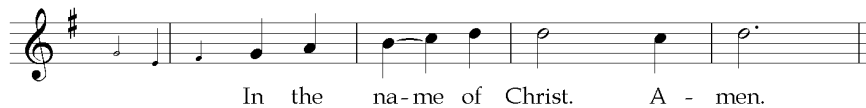
*The priest blesses the people with these words*

May God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who is the source of all goodness and growth,  
pour his blessing upon all things created,  
and upon you his children,  
that you may use his gifts to his glory and the welfare of all peoples;  
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be with you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

*The priest or the deacon says or sings*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

*The choir and the people sing*



*Please stand for the procession of choir and clergy and sit for the*

## **Organ Voluntary**

Allegro Moderato from Sonata I in Eb BWV 525 J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

*which concludes the service*

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*Please join us in the South Transept for a cup of tea or coffee  
directly following the service!*





# Living Faith in the City

An ecumenical exploration of the  
Letter of St Paul to the Romans.

*"For Freedom Christ has set us free"*

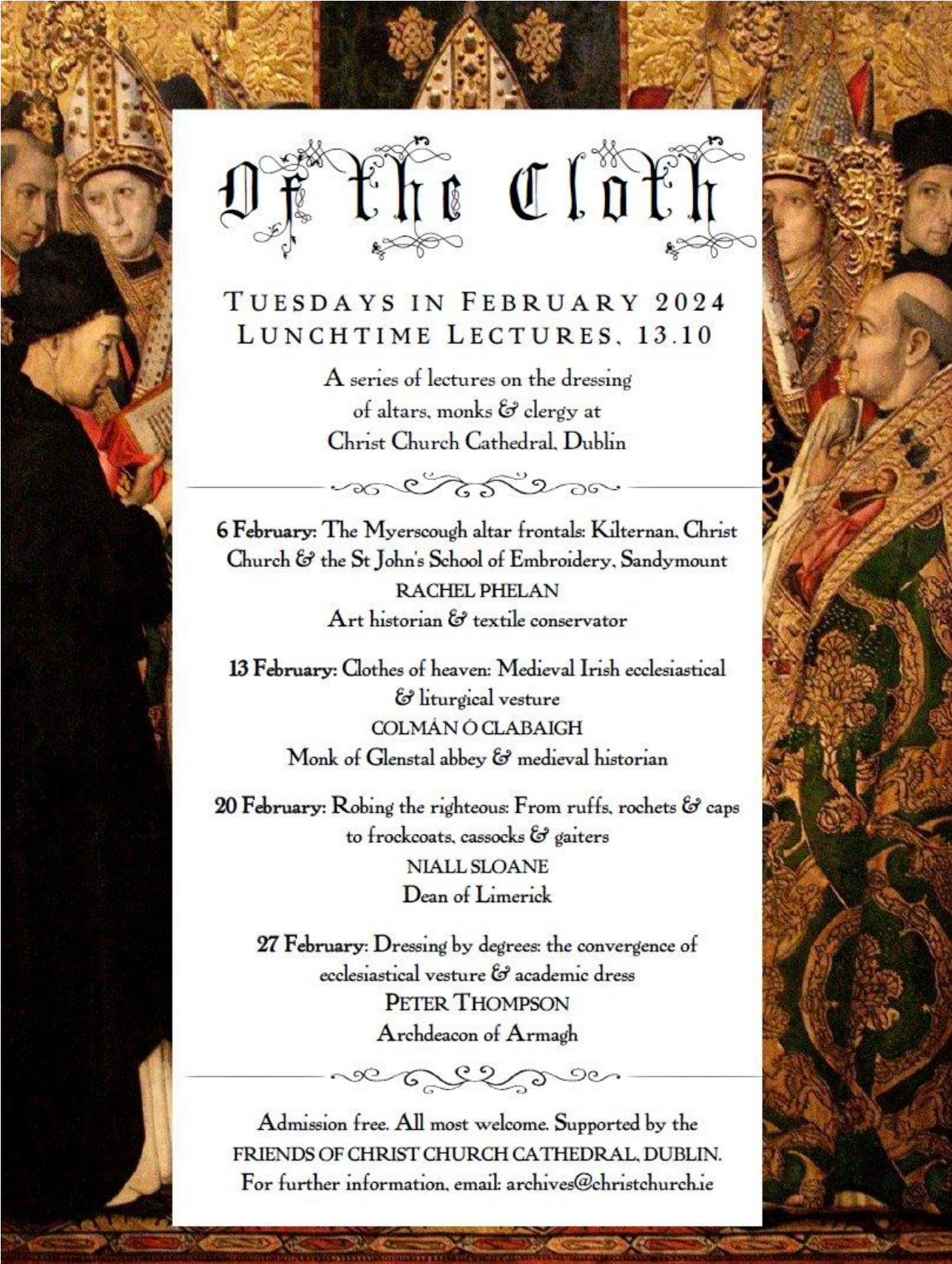
(Galatians 5.1)

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